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SUBJ: HOTEL SITUATION IN JIDDA

1. THE NORMALLY VERY TIGHT HOTEL SITUATION IN JIDDA WILL BECOME EVEN WORSE IN JUNE AND JULY AS THE KING AND COURT MOVE FROM RIYADH TO JIDDA AND THEN TO THE NEARBY SUMMER CAPITAL OF TAIF. MUCH OF JIDDA'S SCARCE HOTEL SPACE IS TRADITIONALLY TAKEN OVER AT THIS TIME BY GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND OFFICIAL VISITORS OF THE SAG.

2. A PARTICULARLY CRUCIAL PERIOD WILL BE AROUND THE ISLAMIC FOREIGN MINISTERS MEETING JULY 12-15. FROM THE PERIOD ABOUT JULY 7-18 THE SAG WILL PREEMPT ALL OF THE BETTER HOTEL SPACE TO ACCOMMODATE DELEGATIONS FROM 49 COUNTRIES EXPECTED TO BE REPRESENTED AT THE CONFERENCE. IN THE FACE OF GOVERNMENT INSTRUCTIONS, HOTELS WILL NOT RPT NOT BE ABLE TO HONOR EVEN CONRIMED RESERVATIONS. THE EMBASSY WILL NOT RPT NOT BE ABLE TO OBTAIN HOTEL SPACE.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: THE DEPARTMENT IS REQUESTED TO CIRCULATE THIS INFORMATION TO NEA AND APPROPRIATE EUROPEAN POSTS AND TO CAUTION OFFICIAL AND PRIVATE VISITORS TO AVOID JIDDA JULY 7-18. PLEASE INFORM AGENCIES INVOLVED IN JOINT ECONOMIC COMMISSION ACTIVITIES. AT OTHER TIMES
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VISITORS SHOULD COME TO JIDDA ONLY IF ASSURED OF CON-

FIRMED HOTEL RESERVATIONS.

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